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Substance abuse and co-occurring mental disorders and co-existing physical illnesses are major public health problems that affect millions of Americans of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds in all communities. People with co-occurring substance abuse and mental disorders can and do recover. Every day throughout Los Angeles County men, women, and youth enter treatment and begin the road to recovery and their families seek hope and recovery in support programs and through counseling.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, and AWARE (Always Working toward Advancing Recovery Environments) celebrate September as "National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month".

"National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month" celebrates the tremendous strides taken by individuals who have undergone successful treatment, their families in recovery, and the health care providers who have dedicated their lives to the recovery

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process and to the education of the public about alcoholism, drug dependence, co-occurring disorders, and treatment issues.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles proclaim September 2003 "Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month" in Los Angeles County and that all residents are encouraged to support this year's theme, "Join the Voices for Recovery: Celebrating Health", by supporting the men, women, and youth in drug and alcohol addiction treatment and recovery and their families.

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